

## THE PEOPLE'S PARTY

A Call Issued for a Big Convention to be Held in January.

## WILL CONSOLIDATE FORCES

Members of Labor Organizations and the Farmers' Alliance invited to Unite Their Interests.

BUTTE, Dec. 7.—On January 21 next a convention is to be held in Butte to consider the matter of organizing a people's party in Montana. To this convention all labor unions and Farmers' alliances in the state have been invited to send delegates, and all papers advocating the principles of the party are also invited to send delegates to the convention.

The call for the convention is signed by three men as members of the executive committee of the people's party of Montana. One of the three men is Samuel Mulville, who represents the party in this section of the state. Mr. Mulville received his commission as representative of the people's party in Montana from the secretary of the national committee of the people's party. Mr. Mulville says he doesn't know how the secretary got onto him, but supposes it is through Mr. Mulville's connection with the labor committee a year ago. "This is not exactly a convention," said Mulville, today. "It is to be a conference of people supposed to have an interest in whether Montana should not have a party representing their interests. It is to be a conference at which the first thing to be decided is whether or not it is advisable to organize a people's party in Montana. If this conference decides that a people's party is the proper thing, why it will be arranged at once. If it decides that Montana has no use for a people's party, why the whole thing will be dropped. The decision of the matter will be left to the people solely, and the convention will not be packed."

"Of course, it is needless for me to say that I am personally very much in favor of a third party. What I want to find out is whether or not the rest of the people agree with me. There has been a general impression among labor people that the old parties only use them when they have use for them, and that when the people want anything from the parties, they can't get it. An idea has been prevalent that whenever the people wanted a measure passed of some kind or other that would be to their interests, the old parties in the interests of the capitalists and corporations combined to shut them out. The trouble with the two old parties in Montana is that two or three men control each of them. If it could be demonstrated that the Democratic party does not consist solely of Messrs. Daly, Clark and Hauser, but consists of the people, a third party would not be necessary."

"Now the proposition is that as the labor people have not been able to get what they want from the representatives of the old parties, they should start another of their own. I understand that this has been the feeling among the labor people. Now if this is the case they will have the opportunity of sending delegates to this conference and there decide whether or not it is best to enter the political field."

"Success or failure in Walkerville in the coming election will have nothing to do with the matter of putting a third party in the field."

## A WOMAN'S EXCHANGE.

One of the Proposed Institutions for the City.

BUTTE, Dec. 7.—A woman's exchange will soon be one of Butte's institutions. For some time the question of establishing a club has been talked of where ladies from the different portions of the city, and particularly from the small towns adjacent, might rest themselves or partake of a lunch while on shopping expeditions. Many cities, especially throughout the East, have their woman's clubs, where they are ever held dear to the feminine heart. The benefit which would be derived from the maintaining an exchange in Butte are very apparent, and to a large extent would ameliorate the fatigue and general anguish, both mentally and physically, that are usually attendant on shopping excursions. At present the ladies coming to Butte from Walkerville, Meaderville, Rooker or Burlington are without any place affording privacy or social comfort, and in waiting for cars or busses are compelled to pass the time walking on the streets, or enjoying the hospitality of some store or restaurant. The ladies prominent in the movement propose to hire a suite of rooms, accessible to the large stores in the heart of the city and fit them up comfortably. A buffet will furnish a cup of tea, or some light refreshment, and large easy chairs will make it a positive and appreciated luxury to the members, who may drop in to indulge in a bit of gossip while resting. In these cozy quarters "the precious bits of porcelain of human clay" may meet, and amid the 5 o'clock tea talk and smiles, discuss dress goods and bonnets or whisper some choice piece of scandal in one another's ear.

## GATHERED IN THE CHANGE.

Curran and Fitzgibbons Have Cause to Change Porters.

BUTTE, Dec. 7.—Curran & Fitzgibbons of the Southern sample rooms, discharged their Chinese porter the other day and substituted Walter Smith, a colored man. They made the discovery this morning that the sum of \$70 which had been left behind the bar last night had been taken and suspicion instantly attached to Smith, who cleans out. Curran, who was a policeman in his palmy days, took the job of recovering the money, and by using pretty energetic language toward the accused and his brother, finally wrested a confession from him. They gave back \$13 in money out of the \$70 cash that was stolen, and two checks for \$15 and \$5, respectively, were recovered partly chewed up; the other check for \$20 had been burned. The firm will be able to recover the amount of the checks without difficulty and will only be out \$17. Smith is under arrest, charged with grand larceny.

## WALLOPED MR. COOK.

He Calls to See His Girl and Receives a Pounding.

BUTTE, Dec. 7.—George Cook called at the Walker house on Lower Main street, and before he got out the beauty of his features were sadly marred. He called to see a girl whom he heard was stopping there. She wasn't there, but Mrs. Walker was, and so was Charles Murphy. In some way a quarrel arose which developed into a fight, in which Cook was pretty badly used up. It is claimed Murphy struck him, and Mrs. Walker hit him with a stove lid. Two officers arrested Mrs. Walker and Mr. Murphy, and they gave \$20 bonds each for their appearance before Judge McMurry at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

If you want a first class cigar, ask for the Irwin.

Choice fruits at Alex Cohen's.

## THE CASE AGAINST JENKS.

Charged With Compounding a Felony—The Cutting Scrape.

BUTTE, Dec. 7.—The case of W. H. Jenks, charged with compounding a felony, was continued before Justice Muldoon this afternoon. Dr. Munroe, the complaining witness, testified as to the facts incidental to his attending Jenks, and the dressing of the knife wound inflicted on him in the Board of Trade gambling house, by Bergler. He stated that when his patient was out of danger and he made some reference concerning the pay for his professional services, that Jenks told him that he had been approached by some friends of his assailant who proffered to compromise matters by paying him \$400 for his loss of time, \$50 for the physician's fees and \$25 for the services of a nurse. "This occurred about Nov. 10," said Dr. Munroe. "As I didn't receive any pay I made inquiries soon after of Judge Hamilton, the attorney for Bergler, and learned that he (Jenks) had received \$150, for consenting to allow Bergler to enter a plea of assault and battery. Furthermore I found out that when the money was paid over, it was expressly agreed between both parties that of this sum \$50 was understood to be my fee."

Deputy County Attorney Campbell was sworn, and was asked by Mr. Hamilton, attorney for Jenks, who had allowed Bergler to enter a plea to an offense of a less serious nature than the one which he was first charged. The county official denied with considerable asperity the insinuation that he was a party in compounding the alleged felony, with which the defendant was charged. He said that Jenks came into his office walking with the aid of a cane, and in answer to the query as to how he was getting along, said that he would soon be entirely well and that his wound had healed nicely. "A few days before this," said Mr. Campbell, "I was approached by Judge Hamilton with the request that his client be allowed to enter a plea of not guilty. I first sought Dr. Munroe and learned that the man was out of danger, and then granted the request of his counsel. There was no secrecy about this transaction, and the plea was changed in open court in the presence and hearing of a number of spectators."

The case was adjourned until 7 o'clock this evening.

At the opening of court this evening Mr. Bergler was placed upon the stand and stated that he was in possession of a receipt which Jenks had given when the money was paid over. In substance, it is an acknowledgement of complete pecuniary satisfaction as regards the cutting or any results which might follow that event.

Judge Hamilton, attorney for the assailant at the time the case came up in the lower court, testified that on Nov. 14 he paid the injured man \$150 in behalf of his client, and that the payment of the sum had no significance in regard to a change in the charge entered against the man, but was in consideration of the damages received by Jenks as the result of the stabbing.

W. H. Jenks was the last witness. He denied in the most positive manner that for a consideration of \$150 he had failed to prosecute his assailant, furthermore, he stated that he did not sign the complaint against Bergler when his arrest was made. Judge Muldoon reserved his decision in the case until 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

## IN THE POLICE COURT.

BUTTE, Dec. 7.—Eleven woe-begone and penitent law-breakers filed up the stairway leading from the jail into the police court room this morning. Fighting and drunkenness were the pastime most of them indulged in yesterday, and for which infraction of the law they stood before Judge McMurry and received their respective punishment.

A. C. Bestram pleaded guilty to a charge of fighting last evening on Park street. He paid a fine of \$5 and costs, and departed with the firm conviction that as an argument enforcer, moral suasion is superior and much safer than brute force.

Wm. Lee confessed to handling the diminutive form of "Little Jennie," a Mercury street damsel, in a decidedly rough manner, and paid the fine of \$5 and costs without a murmur.

For assaulting Alex Hinmington, Richard Mullan gave up \$5 and costs. Dennis Brennan got hilariously full down on lower Main street about 10 o'clock last evening and was promptly run in. He will daily with the pick and shovel for a few days, in default of the payment of one samalen and costs.

Peter Connolly yielded to a drowsy feeling which came over him while on upper Main street last night, and went to sleep very broke this morning. He took a header and down he went to the jail in the basement, where he will remain a few days in default of the payment of \$1 and costs.

For fighting in the Palace saloon yesterday afternoon, Richard Powers was fined \$5 and costs. He was committed. John Truexman and Robert Whately had a set-to in the Dew Drop saloon last evening. An officer happened to drop in while the conflict was going on, and this morning both these belligerent individuals were apparently glad to get off with \$5 and costs.

James McKenney and Patrick Flaherty pleaded guilty of putting too much of that article in their mouths which is said to steal away men's brains. They both dug up \$1 and costs.

This afternoon Jeff Lyons was fined \$10 and costs for assault.

And here ended the first lesson of the week, and in all probability the second will be likened unto the first.

## Resolutions of Condolence.

BUTTE, Dec. 7.—At a special meeting of the Auxiliary Mission Society of the Christian church, held Sunday, Dec. 6, 1891, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased the Supreme Architect of the universe to remove from our midst Thomasine, the beloved and only child of our dear sister, Mrs. T. E. Butler, be it therefore Resolved, That the Auxiliary Mission Society of the Christian church, and this society tender its heartfelt sympathy to the parents and relatives of our dear little friend, and we trust that they will find comfort and consolation in Him who said, "Suffer little children to come unto me, for such is the kingdom of heaven."

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered upon our minutes, and that a copy be sent to the parents of the deceased little one, and to each of the daily papers of this city.

LEAH E. SUMMS,  
EMMA PETER,  
FANNIE DAKIN,  
Committee on Resolutions.

## Mining Documents Filed.

BUTTE, Dec. 7.—The following mineral locations were filed for record today in the office of the county recorder:

Affidavits of annual labor—Ratter, Unorganized district, by Charles Nickel and others; Jordan, Unorganized district, by P. Ward and others; Robinson, Moose creek and Bonanza, Camp creek, by John F. Robinson.

For help go to the fair and square employment office, room 25, Mantle & Bielenberg block, on West Broadway.

We can surely make you money by examining large stock of heaters and coals. H. J. Blume, 75 West Park.

Florist: natural and artificial flowers, 300 East Park street.

There is no bit cigar to be compared with the Irwin.

Smoke the Irwin hand-made cigar.

## TROUBLE IN THE AIR

Smelter Men Will Test the Legality of the Heap Roasting Ordinance.

## IT WILL BE A BITTER FIGHT

Courts Must Decide the Question Which Has Been the Cause of So Much Contention.

BUTTE, Dec. 7.—The smelter men have knocked a chip off the shoulder of the city of Butte. They have thrown down the gauntlet on the heap roasting proposition and are ready to contest the legality of the heap roasting ordinance in the courts.

The STANDARD was right when it said last Friday that appearances indicated that there was a movement on foot among the smelter men to resume heap roasting operations. Heap roasting will be resumed on Dec. 15. City Marshal Dunn says that he has also seen the two heaps at the Butte Reduction works, and that he will go down there every few days to watch for the time when they are lighted. He said that he had also been at the Boston & Montana works in Meaderville and saw two heaps there all ready for the fire, and several more heaps all blocked out, but not yet completed.

Thomas Couch, superintendent of the Boston & Montana company, left no further doubt in regard to the matter of a contest between the city and the smelter companies over the legality of heap roasting and smoke poisoning. Mr. Couch said to the mayor yesterday that it was absolutely necessary for the Boston & Montana company to resume heap roasting. It would have to be done, and the burning of the heaps could not be delayed longer than Dec. 15. In fact he had left instructions with his men to light the heaps on Dec. 15. Mr. Couch left for Denver on yesterday's train, and asked as a final request of the mayor that no one be arrested until his return.

"I want to be arrested myself," he said. "Don't arrest any of the men, because they are merely following my instructions. Wait until I return and I will submit to arrest."

Mr. Couch agreed to be back in Butte inside of two weeks from date and give himself up to the authorities.

Mayor Mueller said today: "I felt obliged to promise Mr. Couch that we would arrest him as the representative of his company. They have thrown down this gauntlet and we will have to try the case in the courts and I suppose we might as well begin as soon as possible. I am disappointed in the matter. I thought from what W. A. Clark told me that he would not allow any more heap roasting at the Butte Reduction works. I certainly understood him to say that. But this morning a man rushed into my office in hot haste and stated that the heaps are being rounded off at the Butte Reduction works and everything is in readiness for starting the fires under the stink piles in a very short time. I don't know whether this is done with Mr. Clark's knowledge or not. Heap roasting will not be resumed in Butte without a strong and honest opposition on the part of the city of Butte."

The only difficulty in the way of settling the matter in the courts is that pending the settlement the smelter companies are likely to have the privilege of heap roasting during the entire winter. Some six months ago C. H. Palmer put up his check for \$10,000 as a guaranty that the Butte City Water company was acting in good faith. Six months have passed and the courts have not yet decided whether or not the city owns that check. If the courts are as dilatory in deciding regarding heap roasting, the people of Butte may as well make up their minds to endure smoke for another year. It would seem proper for the city, after the arrests are made and pending the trial of the issue, to have an injunction gotten out restraining the smelter companies from burning stink piles in the meantime.

## REOPENING.

The Bankrupt Stock of the Late Firm of J. R. Boyce Jr. & Co. is Being Sold at "Private Sale."

It was decided that it was to the best interest of all concerned to discontinue the auction sale, and close out this immense stock at private sale prices.

It was a well known fact that the best goods were held back during the auction sale to keep the stock from being broken up.

Buyers now have the advantage of an established auction sale price as well as the privilege of making their own selections.

The immense cellars underneath the sale rooms contained a reserve stock of valuable first class goods that are now being brought forward and sold at FIFTY CENTS ON THE DOLLAR.

Of course these bargains cannot last always, and it stands the buyer in hand to buy now, buy while the stock is unbroken. Buy while the prices are about one-half of regular sale prices.

The great crowds that come here daily that go away with arms full of goods is an evidence that they appreciate this sale, and of the fact that they are getting goods at prices such as can be had only through the medium of such a sale as this.

A private sale of goods at sheriff's sale prices is one of these rare opportunities that sensible people do not overlook.

This bankrupt sale will continue until the Boyce & Co. bankrupt is closed out.

## Real Estate Transfers.

BUTTE, Dec. 7.—The following transfers were recorded at the office of the county clerk since our last report: Henry L. Haupt to Molaina Boucher, lots 16 and 17, block 4, Montrose addition, \$400 00  
John Spry to Cyrus Symonds, one-third interest in the Riley quarter section, one-third in the Herbert Spencer and one-third in the Gail Garvin, Independence addition, 75 00  
Henry L. Haupt to Maggie Seaker, lot 8, block 3, Montrose addition, 200 00  
Andrew J. Davis and wife to the Pandora Mining & Milling company, the Pandora lode claim, Little Pine district, for 60,000 shares of the said Pandora company and for the further consideration of..... 1 00

## For Xmas.

A nice silver brick, or souvenir spoon with any mine, or your own residence (from photo.), on it, from Leys, the jeweler, 12 North Main street.

If you want your stoves moved, cleaned and put up, call up telephone 52, H. J. Blume, 75 West Park street, opposite Central school building.

For help go to the fair and square employment office, room 25, Mantle & Bielenberg block, on West Broadway.

When you want retail oil wagon, telephone 317, Butte Oil company.

Our school shoes are the finest to be had in Butte. Burgess & Co., 31 West Park.

Cut flowers, fresh every day. Telephone 313; 300 East Park street.

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In the entire West, for we offer at closer margins than ever.

10 Cases \$2 Heavy Natural Wool Underwear at 70c per suit  
5 Cases \$3.20 Fine Natural Wool Underwear at \$1.90 per suit  
3 Cases \$4.20 Fine colored (15 styles) Cal. heavy wool and flannel underwear at \$2.40 per suit  
15 Dozen \$2 Fine Cassimere and Scotch Caps at 90c each  
50 Doz. \$2 Flannel Overshirts at 60c each  
25 Dozen \$1 Marysville Blue Flannel Overshirts at \$1.40 each  
50 Dozen 1/2 Heavy Wool Socks at 25c a pair, or five pairs for \$1.